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**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner of Patents  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION**

SIR:

Applicants respectfully submit this Response to the Office Communication dated January 14, 2008.

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